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## UNITED STATES COURT.

### A Number of Pleas of Guilty Heard, and Sentences Passed.

Judge Thomas' court is "grinding away" at the court house, and since the preliminaries of the first two days are out of the way is dispensing with business rapidly. Twenty-three prisoners were brought up from Muskogee this morning, and pleas of guilty will be heard in a large number of cases as soon as they can be reached in the regular order of business. From the number of witnesses hanging around the grand jury room, that branch of the court apparently has plenty of work on hand, and probably enough to last some weeks yet. The morning hour, devoted to motions, was not sufficient time this morning for the hearing of all the motions ready to be offered by the attorneys, and will be continued at length tomorrow morning.

#### LEGAL MATTERS IN GENERAL.

John Kingfisher, nolle.

Thomas Jones, larceny; continued.

W. J. Meadows, abusing child under age; continued.

Joseph Crowell and John Wilson, larceny; nolle.

Robt. Cloud, larceny; defendant called and bond forfeited.

Willard Drake, assault with intent to kill; plea of not guilty; on trial.

Geo. W. Bell, introducing and selling; nolle entered by district attorney.

John Christie, alias "Apple Jack," introducing and selling; continued.

Wm. Askins, Richard Askins and John Watkins; defendant called and bond forfeited.

John Merrell, introducing and selling; bond forfeited and warrant issued returnable next term.

Arthur Payton, introducing and selling; one year and one day, at Fort Leavenworth and \$150 fine.

The court of appeals at South McAlester last week affirmed the decision of the lower court refusing to grant writ of habeas corpus in case of Blount Martin.

Bob Cloud, indicted for larceny, pleaded guilty in the court yesterday to stealing a yearling from George Bullette at Tulsa. He has not yet been sentenced.

In passing upon a motion in the administrator case of the estate of the late Joseph Burns, Tuesday Judge Thomas held that the Curtis law making it a misdemeanor for a Cherokee citizen to be in possession of more land than a pro rata share, after the first of next April, was unconstitutional, inasmuch as it was a virtual confiscation of property without due process of law.

The case against Mrs. Della Thurman, of Claremore, indicted by the grand jury last winter for employing a non-citizen clerk, was dismissed by the court yesterday for want of jurisdiction. The court held that in the absence of a specific statute making the act of hiring non-citizen labor by a Cherokee citizen a misdemeanor the defendant could not be held for trial. The purport of the court's decision seems to be that the tribal law sought to be enforced should first be adopted, or re-enacted by congress, or else it could not be administered by the federal courts.

The Vinita CHIEFTAIN commenced the publication of a daily yesterday. It is neat, newsy and ably edited. A very necessary feature for its success—the DAILY CHIEFTAIN has good advertising patronage. The business men of Vinita are certainly progressive and liberal, judging by the advertising they do in their papers. There is no better criterion by which to judge of the enterprise of its business men, than the advertising columns of the papers published in any town or city.—Wagoner Sayings.

The DAILY CHIEFTAIN, Vol. 1, No 1, reaches our office this morning. This shows thrift and enterprise for Vinita, but why not Vinita produce as good a daily newspaper as any other town? It is time that the newspaper men of that town catch up with the town.—Muskogee Times.

#### Dogs and Ponies.

The educated ponies and dogs will give exhibitions under their mammoth tent in this city Wednesday, Oct. 12th, afternoon and evening. Too much can hardly be said in praise of these highly trained animals, the exhibition that they give is so unlike other entertainments given by educated horses or dogs. There is not one dull moment on the program, nothing that is monotonous. It is comedy from start to finish; it is high class amusement and strictly moral. Prof. Gentry has spent years of time and labor in designing the most attractive way of exhibiting their intelligence. No one in the city should miss this grand opportunity. Prices are within reach of all. Children, 15 cents; adults, 25 cents.

#### Warning Notice.

All parties who have been warned to work on the streets of this city according to law, and have not appeared in person or paid the tax due, are hereby notified that unless the amount is promptly paid to the recorder they will be proceeded against by law.

J. J. SPENCER,  
Street Commissioner.

John C. Barrett and Miss Victoria Lipe are to be united in marriage today, and Lee Barrett and family have gone out to be present.

Beryl Cox, the man who killed the Chinese restaurant keeper at Tulsa a few days ago, is among the prisoners brought up this morning.

W. S. Crowl, of the Wilburton Lumber Co., has gone to Wagoner to take charge of the yard there.

It is noticeable that a large portion of those in attendance upon this term of court are Indian by blood.

Sam Ridenbourn reports a new boy baby at his house this morning.

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## FUN IN ANIMAL RACES.

Dukes and Duchesses set Aside Their Dignity and Drive Pigs, Dogs and Cats.

The British aristocracy occasionally enjoys itself in a whole-hearted fashion that is rather refreshing. The latest form of entertainment, in England, originated at a dual house party in Gurney; and has become popular to a degree that is remarkable when one considers how many persons are afraid of appearing ridiculous.

The animal race has been tried over here; but it takes a gathering of dukes and duchesses and honorables to carry such a performance off with a whoop. On the day of the event, all the small domestic animals on the premises must be corralled, and, willy nilly, scrubbed in a state of spotless cleanliness. Those are troublous times for the amiable but unambitious little pig ruthlessly torn from his pen; and the shrieks of captured hens mingle with the distracting quacking of frightened ducks. The dogs take the affair calmly, and the cats don't object seriously; but the peacock's pride suffers, and he always shows bitter resentment.

Each captive creature is decorated with ribbon, no two having the same color. When the guests assemble, each receives long streamers of ribbon, and the hunt for partners begins. Each guest pairs off with the animal or bird whose decorations match his ribbon. Then comes the tug of war. A course of 200 or 300 yards is laid out and a prize is offered to the first person who succeeds in driving his partner through the goal. The word "driving" is emphasized. There must be no shoving or dragging. The creature must be driven.

Naturally when the animals are turned loose dignity goes to the wall. Even a duchess can't conserve her dignity and chase a hysterical hen that dives frantically between her feet and dashes around bushes and trees; and the archbishop of Canterbury couldn't drive a pig in a dignified manner. The dogs are coveted partners, and are usually put under a heavy handicap. The cats are not hopeless, though driving a cat isn't so simple a matter as one might think at first. Puss isn't vicious, but she has a discouraging fashion of checking progress in order to rub up against her partner's legs, and she is apt to sit down in a sun-shiny spot and blink contentedly at the rest of the performers. The ducks are amenable, though remonstrant; the peacocks are said to be enough to try the temper of the most patient and wily tactician; but the contestant to whose lot the pig falls, is the mortal who needs almost untold skill in strategy and diplomacy. Beauty has no effect upon the small porker. A stately duchess, a vivacious, honorable miss, a bishop, a foreign minister are all one to him when obstinacy is up in arms. Statesmen, who in parliament have had excellent training for such an occasion, find ruses and schemes of no avail. One small pig can carry the whole aristocracy of Great Britain to grief; and there are a score of peers and peeresses who are ready to add commentaries to Leigh Hunt's essay on "The Graces and Anxieties of Pig Driving."

An animal race ought to be a ease for the S. P. C. A. To be sure, no physical injury is inflicted upon the animals. From all accounts the physical injuries seem to be all on the side of the cruel persecutors, and there's a sad tale told of a plucky baronet who pursued a scuttling pig through a thorn hedge and brought up ignominiously in a gold fish pond.

But, though the animals are not damaged physically, their feelings are hurt, and the fact that they share that distinction with the highest ornaments of the British nobility may not heal their wounded pride.—N. Y. Sun.

#### Taught How to Kindle Fires.

Up in Oregon they are teaching in the special schools a number of simple household duties. For instance, one of these is how to kindle a fire. Now, at first blush, it would seem to be trifling with time to teach a boy or girl how to start a fire in a stove or on a hearth. But as a matter of fact the mass of children grow up without understanding that art. It requires a certain skill and knowledge, which it is found the many do not have. Fire mismanagement by girls has been a prolific source of loss. It means ill-cooked food, waste of fuel, loss of time and danger to life and property. But, then, why should parents by neglect of home duty force this new task upon even a special school system?—Bismarck Record-Union.

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